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Reply to Office action of November 19, 2009

REMARKS

Further consideration of this application in view of the restriction and the following claim amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicants elect Specie I, Figure 1, for prosecution with respect to the claims without traverse. In that regard, it is believed that all claims 11-15 and 18-21 read on Specie I.

Claim 11 has been amended to specify that the hardenable material of the static seal area is other than the material of the dynamic seal area, and particularly the composition of former claim 17, now canceled and incorporated into claim 11. Claim 21 has been added to further specify the composition of the hardenable material. No new matter has been added, and the amendments are not made in the face of any rejection.

Filed herewith is a supplemental IDS listing references to be considered by the examiner.

It is believed that this application now is in condition for examination on the merits. Further and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

The Patent Office is authorized to charge or refund any fee deficiency or excess to Deposit Account No. 04-1061.

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